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Applicant : Sigmar Schindler, et al.  
Application No. : 09/147,970  
Filed : March 23, 1999  
Title : METHOD FOR TRANSMITTING DATA  
IN A TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
NETWORK AND SWITCH FOR  
IMPLEMENTING SAID METHOD

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AMENDMENT

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office action of June 12, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 17-21 and 27-31.

Please amend Claims 1 and 2 to read as follows. Unchanged claims are included hereinbelow for the Examiner's reference convenience.

1. (Twice Amended) A method for transferring data from a first switch to a second switch, comprising: